

**City of Somerville, Massachusetts**  
**Matters of business of the Board of Aldermen**  
**in hands of the Clerk by 2PM the day of the meeting**

**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

March 25, 2004, 7:00 PM  
Aldermanic Chambers  
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**OPENING OF THE MEETING**

1. Call of the Roll.
2. Reading and approval of the minutes of the meeting of February 26, 2004.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

**ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS**  
**AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS**

3. Citation By the Entire Board, Commending The Very Reverend Vasilios Flionis for his contributions to the City on this celebration of Greek Independence Day.
4. Order By Ald. Pero, That the Director of Heath inspect the property at 3-5 Walter Terrace and report any violations of heath ordinances and regulations therein.
5. Order By Ald. Pero, That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol in the vicinity of Maple Ave. and School St. on Saturday and Sunday evenings to enforce traffic and parking regulations.
6. Order By Ald. Pero, That the Director of Traffic and Parking initiate traffic calming measures and a traffic study on Marshall St. between Broadway and Pearl St.
7. Resolution By Ald. Pero, That this Board requests that the Mayor incorporate, in future negotiations with the SMEA units A and B, the inclusion of other city departments, agencies and buildings in the Thursday evening hours schedule for public accommodations.

8. Order By Ald. Pero, That the Director of Health inspect 368 Broadway, at the corner of Thurston St., for code violations.
9. Order By Ald. Pero, That the Director of Health inspect 110-112 Thurston St. for rodent problems and bait and trap as necessary.
10. Order By Ald. Pero, That the Commissioner of Public Works inspect 394 Medford St. for proper construction and occupancy permitting.
11. Order By Ald. Pero, That John Hannah, Youth Development Program Coordinator, appear before this Board to update the members on youth programming and operational issues.
12. Resolution By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Traffic Commission consider moving one or more handicap parking spaces to the front door of the High School.
13. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works and the City Engineer consider expansion of the underground storm drainage system at 75 Cedar St. to prevent flooding during heavy storms.
14. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services and the Director of Health contact the owner of 58 Rogers Ave. regarding the condemned condition of that residence.
15. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Superintendent of Lights and Lines continue to rectify issues at 5-7 Lowell Terrace.
16. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Director of Traffic and Parking report to this Board the guidelines for issuing business permit stickers for particular areas and the calculations used for the number of permits issued.
17. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol to monitor the illegal use of Houghton St. as a two-way street from Prospect St., and that the Director of Traffic and Parking ensure the signage for Houghton St. as a one way street is clear and visible.
18. Order By Ald. Heuston, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole on Preston Rd.
19. Resolution By Ald. Taylor, That the Dedication Committee plant a tree at Prospect Hill Park in memory of Paul Cowley.

20. Order By Ald. Taylor, O'Donovan, Provost, White, Desmond and Sullivan, That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services give this Board an update as to the intentions of the owner of 199-201 Highland Ave. regarding its occupancy and use.
21. Order By Ald. Sullivan and Roche, That the Director of Health notify this Board about plans to address the problem of drug abuse in the city.
22. Order By Ald. Sullivan and Roche, That the Commissioner of Public Works contact Mass Highway to request that Middlesex Ave., specifically in front of Home Depot and Circuit City, be cleaned, and that a copy of this order be sent to our State Delegation.
23. Order By Ald. Sullivan and Roche, That the Commissioner of Public Works request that Mass Highway remove the trash in and around their yard on Sturtevant St. underneath Route 93, and that a copy of this order be sent to our State Delegation. (2<sup>nd</sup> request.)
24. Order By Ald. Sullivan and Taylor, That a representative of the Office of Housing and Community Development contact the MBTA and request that a bus stop shelter be installed in front of Brady Towers at 252 Medford St.
25. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Superintendent of Inspectional Service and the Director of Health inspect 5 Chandler St. for any and all building and/or zoning code violations and take action to ensure compliance.
26. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services and the Director of Health inspect 51 Walker St. for any and all building and/or health code violations, and take action to ensure compliance.
27. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol in the vicinity of the Holland St. Au Bon Pain adjacent to the T stop, looking for illegal deliveries between 1-6 AM on a daily basis, and take any and all action necessary to curtail the early morning deliveries.
28. Order By Ald. Connolly, That the Commissioner of Public Works paint over the graffiti tag on the corner of Morrison and Willow Aves., on the side of the convenience store, and request the assistance of the building owner to supply material to complete the job.

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| 29. | Order      | By Ald. Trane, That the Commissioner of Public Works review the contract for sidewalk replacement from the past year to see if it includes the replacement of street signage where sidewalks have been installed.                 |
| 30. | Order      | By Ald. Trane, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the deep depressions in the roadway on Weston Ave. near the intersection of Broadway.   |
| 31. | Order      | By Ald. Trane, That the Director of Traffic and Parking enforce the parking regulations in the Teele Square area along Holland St. to Cameron Ave.  |
| 32. | Order      | By Ald. Trane, That the Commissioner of Public Works contact Mass Highway and ask that they remove the tree at High St. and Alewife Brook Pkwy., as it blocks the pedestrian signal at this location.                             |
| 33. | Resolution | By Ald. Trane, White, Provost, Desmond and Sullivan, That this Board requests that the State Delegation direct the State Police to increase traffic enforcement on Alewife Brook Pkwy. for speed and pedestrian light violations. |
| 34. | Order      | That the Superintendent of Lights and Lines investigate an upgrade in the lighting at Packard Ave. and Powderhouse Blvd.  |

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

### **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR**

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| 35. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the appropriation of \$2,500,000 for improvements related to reconstructing Somerville Ave.                                      |
| 36. | Mayor's Request | Requesting approval to expend a \$20,000 grant from the Mass. Technology Collaborative for the Green Schools Pilot.                         |
| 37. | Mayor's Request | Requesting approval of a Land Disposition Agreement for Visiting Nurse Assisted Living Inc. to acquire and develop the Conwell School site. |
| 38. | Mayor's Comm.   | Conveying a newly drafted report of the Municipal Property Review Committee.  |
| 39. | Mayor's Request | Requesting the appointment of Allan Fitzmaurice, 362 Washington Ave., Chelsea, as Constable.  |

40. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Chris DiLorenzo, 201 College Ave., and John Carroll, 53 Dudley St., Medford, as Constable.

### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

41. Committee Report Report of the Committee of the Whole on Legislative Matters, Mar. 18.
42. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters in Joint Session with the Planning Board, Mar. 18.
43. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, Mar. 23.
44. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, Mar. 24.
45. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, Mar. 23.
46. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, Mar. 23.

### **COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS**

47. City Officer Comm. Police Chief responding to #176086 re: controlling and monitoring nightly deliveries and pickups at the bakery at 201 Somerville Ave.
48. City Officer Comm. Police Chief responding to #176069 re: ordering a directed patrol in the Union Sq. area between Stone and Bonner Aves., Sundays from 11PM-2:30AM.
49. City Officer Comm. Police Chief responding to #176054 re: incident at 391 Medford St. on Feb. 22.
50. City Officer Comm. DPW Operations Director responding to #176116 re: DPW participation in a dog run committee.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

51. Public Occ. **Public Property Occupancy Permit**  
Portuguese American Civic League Annual Holy Ghost Feast to the Holy Spirit, July 9-10 from 7PM-Midnight, July 11 from 10AM-Midnight.
52. Public Occ. College Ave. United Methodist Church Annual Ecumenical Palm Sunday Parade, April 4 from 9-10AM.

53. Public Occ. Somerville Cares About Prevention Coalition “National Alcohol Screening Day”, Davis Sq. T Station, April 8 from 11AM-2PM.
54. Public Occ. Somerville Homeless Coalition “Ride2Love” Benefit, Trum Field, June 6 from 8AM-4PM.
55. Public Occ 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Somerville Homeless Coalition Road Race registration, brunch and awards ceremony, Seven Hills Park and Davis Sq., Oct. 3 from 7AM-1PM.
56. Public Occ. 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Somerville Homeless Coalition Road Race, Holland St. to Elm St. to Somerville Ave, Oct. 3 from 10-11AM.
57. Public Occ. Matthew J. O’Brien Tournament, Conway Park Basketball Court and Roller Hockey Rink, Somerville Ave., June 12-13 from 7AM-11PM.
58. Public Occ. Somerville Allied Veterans Council Canning Drive, McGrath Highway & Davis Sq., April 17 & 24, May 1, 8 & 15 from 8AM-4PM.
59. Public Occ. Somerville 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Open Studios 2004 Event, 87 locations citywide, May 1-2 from Noon-6PM.
60. Public Occ. March to Abolish Poverty Rally and March, Welcome Project to Davis Square, April 2 from 2-6 PM.
61. Sign/Awning **New Sign or Awning Permit**  
Hollywood Express, 238 Elm St.
62. Sign/Awning Dino’s Pizzeria, 8 Highland Ave.
63. Junk Dealer **Renewal of Junk Dealer License**  
Prospect Iron & Steel Corp., 40 Bennett St.
64. Comm. **Communication**  
Lawrence Paolella, 42 Oxford St., re: Proposed Assembly Sq. zoning.
65. Comm. Barbara Cassesso, 9 Wisconsin Ave re: Proposed Assembly Sq. zoning.
66. Comm. Lanny Evarts, 230 Fellsway, re: Proposed Assembly Sq. zoning.
67. Comm. Mark Howland, 15 Pleasant St., re: Proposed Assembly Sq. zoning.

- 68. Comm. Molly Ruggles, 17 Wyatt St., re: Proposed Assembly Sq. zoning.
- 69. Comm. Bill Shelton re: Proposed Assembly Sq. zoning.
- 70. Claim **Notice of Claim**  
Plymouth Rock Assurance Corp./Thomas Carroll.
- 71. Claim Honorio and Natalia Desouza.
- 72. Claim John P. LeGrand and Assoc., P.C./Michael J. Young.

**ITEMS RECEIVED AFTER 2:00 PM**